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# MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Bureau of Statistics & Plans is to ensure Guam's resources are effectively used for the benefit of present & future generations by appraising, coordinating, preparing and assisting in the development of a wide range of plans, policies, studies and statistics that further economic, social land use, environmental and infrastructural goals, priorities and planning activities.



The Guam Coastal Activity Book designed for students ages 7-10 is available forprint BSP's webpage. Visit short site videos at the Guam 2020 Coral Fellow YouTube page.

# A REPORT TO OUR CITIZENS

# **ABOUT THE BUREAU**

The Bureau of Statistics and Plans (BSP) is a staff agency to the Office of the Governor. Other public laws and Governor's Executive Orders granted additional roles to BSP, such as providing a preliminary Business Sector Disaster Damage Report to the Governor in the aftermath of a typhoon.

The Bureau is dedicated to providing expediency in all of its endeavors and in promoting the welfare of the community. Bureau staff are professional in their field of work and dedicated to ensure the Bureau's mission is carried out for the overall benefit of the island. In 2021, the Bureau employed approximately 27 employees that supported

five program divisions: Administration, Business & Economic Statistics, Socio-Economic & Coral Reef Initiative, Planning Information Program and the Guam Coastal Management Program (GCMP).

In partnership with the NOAA, a Coastal Fellow and Coral Fellow provide technical assistance to address specific environmental and coral reef management concerns such as climate change, land-based pollution and fishing impact as part of mitigation and conservation efforts in conjunction with GCMP and the Department of Agriculture.



# 27 EMPLOYEES CARRY OUT THE MISSION OF THE BUREAU

Demographics			
Description	2021	2020	2019
Population	168,801	153,836	166,658
BSP Employees	27	27	33
Federal Dollars Managed	\$16,045,238	\$30.5 million*	\$24.5 million*

Source: BSP, 2019 Guam Statistical Yearbook

<sup>\*</sup>Funds reported in FY 2020 and FY 2019 included the Guam Census Office operations.

#### PROGRAM PERFORMANCE



#### **Guam 2020 Housing Units & Population Counts**

Name	2010	2020	2010	2020
	Population	Population	Housing	Housing
Totals:	159,358	153,836	50,567	51,555

The Bureau of Statistics and Plans serves as the lead agency to the Guam State Data Center, a cooperative program developed to provide easy and efficient access to the U.S. Census Bureau data. In 2021 the 2020 Housing and Population counts were released for Guam. BSP launched this publication with data downloads and maps. Demographic Dashboards will be available once that data becomes public at the end of CY 2022.



#### **6th Assembly of Planners**

The purpose of the Assembly of Planners Symposium is to address meaningful land and natural coastal resource issues that could be resolved through the collective focus of Guam's planning, resource, and policy communities through a forum that:

- Works to improve management systems and advance good policy
- Discusses issues through the use of science, data, and research that serve as the foundation for decisions
- Provides professionals with the opportunity for face-toface discussion and sharing of information that is useful to identify solutions, improve services, and avoid or mitigate the adverse effects of poor planning, hazards
- Works to optimize and coordinate comprehensive planning.



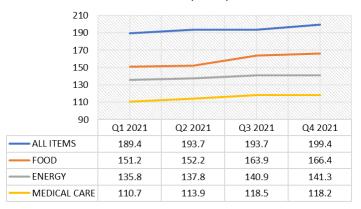


#### Guidebook to Development Requirements on Guam

In 2021 BSP made its 2nd major revision to the Guidebook to Development

Requirements on Guam. This is a major accomplishment due to it being the only central source for guidance on current licensing and permitting for Guam since 2005.

#### GUAM CPI: ALL ITEMS, FOOD, ENERGY



The graph depicts how prices, on average, have changed over time. While prices on all items have gradually increased, medical care prices continue to show more volatility and have outpaced food and energy price changes over this time period in 2020.

GCMP Application Reviews	FY 2021	FY2020
Federal Consistency Reviews Concluded	36	23
Application Review Committee (ARC)/Guam Land Use Commission Reviews (GLUC)	37	40
Total:	73	63

The Bureau reviewed 73 applications in 2021 for consistency with Guam's policies and adherence with applicable federal and local statutes. This is a 16% increase in reviews conducted from 2020.



#### **Guam Shoreline Atlas**

The Guam Shoreline Atlas was completed by the Army Corps of Engineers and ultimately published by 10/21. This was launched with interactive GIS applications developed by BSP that can assist the public and government agencies in understanding Guam's geology, coastline, and development hazards.



Comprehensive report on Guåhan's Seagrass and Mangroves, part of the Coral Reef Management Fellow Program, based on synthesized scientific data, community expert interviews and historical data.



## **REVENUES & EXPENDITURES**

3-Year General Fund Budget Change Trend			
2019	\$1,083,908.00	-13%	
2020	\$1,164,296.00	7%	
2021	\$1,436,073.00	23%	

About 97% of General Fund Revenues covered salaries and fringe benefits and 3% for telephone, mileage reimbursement and office space for GDDC



Of the 27 employees of the Bureau in FY 2021, 16 were locally funded and 11 were 100 percent federally funded. A total of \$785,802 in federal funds was used to cover personnel expenses.

## FEDERAL AWARDS

Federal Agency	Federal Program Grant Title	Award Amount
USDOJ	Edward Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG)	\$679,111.00
USDOJ	Paul Coverdell Forensic Science Improvement	\$296,966.00
USDOJ	Residential Substance Abuse Treatment Grant (RSAT)	\$124,437.00
USDOJ	Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) Reallocation Funds	\$35,441.00
NOAA	Guam Coastal Management Pro- gram	\$1,072,000.00
NOAA	Coral Reef Initiative/Natural Resources Grant (CRI)	\$299,547.00
DOI	CRCP State & Territory Coral Reef Cooperative Grant	\$464,779.00
DOI	Guam 2050 Sustainability Plan	\$759,902.00
EDA	Guam Tourism Recovery Plan	\$390,000.00
Т	\$4,122,183.00	

BSP was awarded nine (9) federal grants totaling \$4,122,183 in FY 2021. BSP manages approximately \$16,045,238 in both new and active grants. Approximately 90% are subgranted to recipients to implement local initiatives critical to addressing law enforcement, criminal justice, economic, environmental and coral reef concerns.

#### **Customs Modernization**

BSP was awarded a TAP Grant to modernize Guam customs and automate trade data collection. BSP worked with the DOI for the approval to work with the Oceania Customs Organization for an assessment and with the UNCTAD for a customs system and technical resources.

#### **FRUITS AND FLOWERS:**



The presence of mangrove flowers, fruits, and wildlife was monitored at Sasa Bay Marine Preserve in Piti, Guam. This information will help managers planahead for restoration activities and determine what fish and wildlife species use the preserve.

Communitymembershelpedpreparemangrove seedlingsaspartof DOAG'sEarth Day II festival. "Ariel" was one seedling named by a youth participant which has been growing at the DOAG nursery. The Sasa Bay Marine Preserve is part of the Coral Reef Management Coral Fellow Project with BSP and DAWR.



## Challenges & Moving Forward



# Challenges in 2021

- Additional program initiatives absorbed from other agencies with limited staff resources.
- Implementing succession plan to build capacity & institutional knowledge of critical program areas due to funding constraints.
- Obtaining federal clearances on special conditions
- Section 106 review process & permitting requirements
- GSA procurement policies & procedures
- Negative impact of coronavirus on operations, personnel resources, and goods and services
- Impact on procurement due to worldwide shortage of electronic components and shipping and transportation delays due to pandemic.
- Lack of federal and local resources to address increased technology information systems upgrades and annual maintenance fees.

# Moving Forward in 2022

The BSP will continue moving forward in 2022 with the following initiatives and more:

- Publish quarterly publications for Import and Export Trade Data and Consumer Price Index reports.
- Develop and publish the 2021 Guam Statistical Yearbook, Guam Facts and Figures At-A-Glance brochure & other statistical indices to make sound decisions to improve the island's economic viability and resource sustainability.
- Provide technical support to GovGuam entities when needed in order that they meet their missions.
- Develop Guam's Tourism Recovery Plan to revitalize and rebuild Guam's economy as a result of the coronavirus pandemic.
- Coordinate with DPW on construction projects related to the installation of buried fiber optic cable and 5G cell sites along southern Guam for improved connectivity & for reliable access to telehealth, education and other services.
- Complete the Household Income and Expenditures Survey (HIES) to update Guam's Consumer Price Index (CPI) and develop the Gross Domestic Product on Guam.
- Prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis of the Compact Migrants to Guam and a uniform methodology to determine the costs incurred for services to the migrants from the Freely Associated States.
- Continue collaboration with the U.S.

Census Bureau on the release of the 2020 Guam Census detailed housing and population characteristics to include the summary file, data wheel and geographic data products.

- Continue securing federal dollars from USDOJ to further improve and advocate criminal justice initiatives on Island.
- Continue securing federal dollars from NOAA and DOI to compile commercial fishery data; spearhead best management practices for coral reef, coastal and environmental initiatives.
- Serve as the catalyst for planned and balanced economic, social, environmental and physical growth through Guam State Clearinghouse, legislative review of bills, and the mandated review process of elements via Comprehensive Development Plans.
- Continue to implement goals two & three of the 10-year island-wide restoration action plan for coral reef restoration by mid-2023. The Action Plan will guide efforts by GCRI staff, partners, and other stakeholders to ensure that Guam's reefs are able to continue providing important ecosystem services to future generations.
- Continue firebreak maintenance and reforestation in Manell Watershed; restoration in Geus Watershed (invasive bamboo removal), native plant cultivation, seed dispersal, and outplanting.
- Continue ARC/GLUC and Federal Consistency reviews to ensure sustainable and well planned development efforts are

- central to protecting Guam's natural resources.
- Coordinate 28th GICC, publication of the Man, Land and Sea News letters; and the 7th Assembly of Planners Symposium.
- Resume outreach programs such as the Guardians of the Reef & Eyes on the Reef with high school youth interest groups to promote and advocate best management practices in protecting the island's coral reef ecosystems.
- Sustain & promote employee development, recognition & satisfaction.
- Continue the work to modernize Guam's
   Customs by implementing a Harmo nized System for Guam. BSP will
   continue to work with CQA, the OCO,
   and UNCTAD to automate custom's
   clearances, collect revenue from
   imports, and to capture import and
   export data digitally.
- Continue to work with the Business
  License and Permit Committee in
  modernizing and reforming licensing
  and permitting on Guam. This includes
  streamlining processes and implementing a system to process applications, conduct concurrent reviews, and
  automate the clearances and issuance
  processes between the agencies.
- Continue to maintain and update Guidebook to Development Requirements on Guam.
- Continue to provide a state of the art website with data dashboards and tools, report libraries, and GIS applications.